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Marching on Panama.

The situation in Panama becomes more and more interesting. It is now reported that Colombian troops are marching on Panama with a view to whipping the new republic back into the union. Whether or not Panama had a right to secede under the Constitution, we have never been able to ascertain. On Wednesday last Senator Hoar offered a resolution requesting the President to communicate to the Senate "whether the Constitution of the Republic of Colombia authorized the secession of Panama therefrom, and whether Colombia was prevented by the action of the United States or by any officer or force under the jurisdiction of the same from attempting to assert its authority or to prevent such secession, and what instructions, if any, had been given by the government of the United States to such officers, whether civil, military, or naval; and whether, if any action had been taken by such officers without special authority what action was so taken, and whether such action has been approved or disapproved by the government of the United States."

Perhaps the inside information will come by and by. But right or no right, Panama seceded and gained her independence, and set up a government of her own which the United States government promptly recognized. Not only so, but the United States government is going to defend Panama against Colombia. Our government proposes to stand by the new republic! It now recognizes the divine right of secession, and will lend its strong arm to the seceded republic! The United States government does not propose to stand off and see these secessionists whipped back into the union.

If the Southern Confederacy had only had such a strong ally in 1861; if England had then come to our rescue, as the United States government now goes to the rescue of Panama, the Southern Confederacy would have stood, and would today be an independent republic. But the United States government vigorously protested against interference on the part of Great Britain, or any other foreign power, and so all the nations of the earth stood by and let the bloody work go on. The North had infinite resources, was able to draw upon the world for its supplies, while the South had to depend upon herself, and was practically shut out from the world.

Happy Panama; she is more fortunate. A great change of sentiment has come over the government at Washington. Secession which was such an ignominious thing when the South seceded, is now a very beautiful thing in the eyes of the administration, a thing to be recognized and championed and defended.

Hanna or No?

Mr. Hanna continues to protest that it is cruel to him to mention his name in connection with the Republican presidential nomination, but his friends go straight along putting in a good word for him, whenever they can.

The truth is that there are many Republicans who prefer Mr. Hanna to Mr. Roosevelt. In the business world there may be found no inconsiderable number who attribute to the President the chill that has fallen upon so many business enterprises of late.

When he went into office he was distrusted as an unsafe business man. This fact he knew and hence he has been on his good behavior, so to speak, but it is argued that he will be under no such restraint if re-elected. If he has made "bad breaks" in his first term, what may be expected of him in his second, when he will have a free hand?

Such are some of the views held. The opposition to the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt is an undercurrent of the political seas. It does not show itself.

With the Republican masses it appears that he is very strong. They like his dash, his "rough ride," "methods," his "push" and "snap." But there are some who ponder things well, and who would prefer a safer man in the presidential chair than he is. But can or will they assert themselves, and can they carry the people with them? It seems incredible. Roosevelt will be re-nominated unless he himself brings on defeat.

Two Great Writers.

The other day when Herbert Spencer died, the fact was telegraphed all over the world, and there were many eulogies in the newspapers.

On the same day, died in the city of Philadelphia, Rev. Dr. Henry Clay Trumbull.

but his death attracted little attention. Herbert Spencer was a great philosopher, and one of the most brilliant writers of the age. He contributed much to science and literature, and it has been said of him to read his works is a liberal education.

Henry Clay Trumbull was also a man of intellectual force but his energies turned in another direction. He delved in the rich mines of the Bible and dug out its most beautiful gems of truth. He sought diligently for the hidden treasure and gave it generously to the world.

For many years he was, perhaps, the foremost figure in Sunday School work in the world, and no man contributed more to Sunday School literature. He had a genius for finding the heart of the Sunday School lesson, and for bringing out and impressing the truth. He loved his work and loved to do good.

He believed in the Bible, and in all that it taught, and he wrote from conviction. He was the Sunday school teacher's friend, and his aids and stimulus to the study of the Bible will be greatly missed.

Spencer appealed to the intellect; Trumbull appealed to the heart. Spencer taught a cold, lifeless philosophy; Trumbull taught a living, life-giving religion. Spencer offered to his disciples "light;" Trumbull offered to his, faith.

Which of these two great writers did more for the good and consolation of humanity?

Galveston's Pluck.

It is announced from Galveston that bids for raising the entire city seven feet to a level with the sea-wall, so as to prevent flood by tidal wave, have been opened. The lowest bid offered to do the work is two million dollars, and the city will issue bonds in that amount. The filling will require the moving of eleven million cubic yards of earth. When it is recalled that only a few years ago Galveston was practically swept from the face of the earth by a storm, it is simply marvellous that the city has now recovered from its disaster, and is able to do this stupendous work.

It illustrates the pluck, courage and heroism of the Southern people. The same pluck, courage and heroism which Southern men displayed in war, they have since displayed in building up their waste places, and the South is now the growing section of the country, and one of the most prosperous. Hurray for Galveston and Southern pluck.

The Capitol.

The people of Virginia will never consent in this generation to have our noble old Capitol building torn down, or even thrust aside as a museum. Too many sacred associations hang about it, and sentiment rules the world.

But the Capitol must be repaired and enlarged, and when the work is done, it should be done right.

Let us have no ship-shod patch work. The State is amply able to put the building in thorough repair and provide additional and necessary room to accommodate its increasing business. And the sooner the work is begun the better.

Penitentiary Bill.

The House of Delegates showed a proper disposition and did the correct thing yesterday in passing the Senate bill making an appropriation of \$50,000 to complete the new cell building at the penitentiary.

This money is needed, and will be used to put in a sanitary system of plumbing, ventilating apparatus, steam heating, etc. Nothing will be spent for "ornamentation." The building will be severely plain and solid, sufficient for its purposes, and as "up-to-date" as could be expected from the amount invested—\$180,000, plus \$50,000.

Alaska and Panama.

In 1867 we bought Alaska for \$7,500,000, and thereby acquired an area of territory which is one-third of that of the entire United States. We also acquired exceedingly valuable mining, fishing and sealing rights, notably the Pribilof Islands. The Trade-Water Mines alone have produced over \$10,000,000, which is over twice the original cost of Alaska, and yet we are to pay \$10,000,000 of money earned by the sweat of the brow of American people for the purpose of giving Panama a canal, which will prove the greatest revenue producer in Central America. All that can be urged in defense of this action is that President Roosevelt has made a bargain with Panama and must stand by it. A bargain is a bargain, but it sometimes pays to choose a good trader when \$10,000,000 is to be expended for the privilege of giving somebody else an enormous advantage.

For Pure Elections.

The General Assembly seems determined to strengthen the pure elections law at every point and to make it as nearly perfect as human ingenuity can contrive.

It is a noble work, and in doing this the members are backed by the best and dominant sentiment of the State.

Let the good work proceed. Let us have a law that will make it impossible, as far as the law can do it, to use money improperly in the elections of Virginia. The spirit manifested in the General Assembly is laudable, and will exert a wholesome influence throughout the Commonwealth.

A Hint to the President.

They have been drawing the deadly parallel on President Roosevelt and showing wondrous similarity between that portion of his message relating to bribery and published remarks of Circuit Attorney James W. Fisk, of St. Louis, on the same subject. But the President may well answer his critics in the following lines:

"He writeth best who stealeth best, Ideas both great and small, For the great mind that wrote them first From nature stole them all."

The most extraordinary feat in the way of removing a house from one site to another is now being performed at the cost of Mr. John M. Longyear. Having become plucked by the construction of a railroad in front of his premises at Marquette, Mich., he is taking down his

\$200,000 dwelling, stone by stone, and is removing it to Brookline, Mass., a distance of 1,000 miles. Each piece of stone or lumber entering into the construction of the house has been appropriately marked and numbered, and can be replaced at Brookline without any trouble. And yet the new house, so to speak, is to be larger than the old one.

Mr. Longyear, as may be presumed from this exploit, is a man of great wealth. Brookline is a place sometimes styled by its residents "the wealthiest town in the world," and is, practically speaking, a suburb of Boston.

A somewhat similar feat in the way of taking down a house and removing it piece by piece was performed in the case of the Libby Prison. That large building was taken down here and rebuilt in Chicago. Almost the exact lines of the structure were reproduced on its new site, but the Libby was not a building of stone, but of brick, and we guess that no attempt was made to put each particular brick back into the precise place that it occupied in the old factory as it stood here in Richmond.

The New York Tribune considers it "settled" that we are to use "Panamanian" and "Panamanians" as descriptive of natives of the Isthmus. It says the well-known universal practice in America in forming proper adjectives and names of peoples from the names of their countries is to do so by adding to the letter either "n" and "ns," or "an" and "ans," or in a few cases, for sake of euphony, "lan" and "lans." Haytiens, Jamaicans, Guatemalans, Nicaraguans, Costa Ricans, Colombians, Venezuelans, Brazilians and so on down to Patagonians; therefore, we must say "Panamanian" and "Panamanians," and "lans," so we have Mexicans, Cubans, and "lans."

What Richmond needs is a genius who will give her a practical plan to get rid of the paper trash nuisance. It is too bad that our principal streets should be so often and so long littered with brown paper, old newspapers and tattered papers. The streets can never look clean while this condition obtains. Let it be changed.

"As we see it," remarks the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, "the fate of the Exposition now rests with the transportation companies." That we take it means that the Expo. will move.

This is the season for the revival of the ancient joke on the hen, that she is milke Macduff, because she declines to "lay on," or words to that effect.

Times change and we Yankees change with them. Just think of the United States army, all clothed in blue, sustaining and defending secession.

If we are not in a state of war with a sister republic, then why should General Young rush into print to proclaim his readiness.

Big hog killing yarns are now in order and Virginia killers are keeping up to former records—in yarning.

Building fine capitol on paper is a splendid Christmas amusement for little children and legislators.

Cotton is not only king, but it is turning out a lot of financial princes.

The Virginia ice crop of 1903 is something of a record breaker, too.

One day we have Wentz and the next day we haven't.

The snow storm is still threatening to do something.

The tickers have the capitalists guessing this week.

After all, our snow storm is something of a coquette.

With a Comment or Two.

The regular session of Congress was coupled right onto the rear car of the special session, and the result is that the members will get no extra mileage—Stanton News.

They will find some way to work it out.

Speaker Cannon wore the North Carolina reunion badge all night while the North Carolina editors were in the House gallery, but his memory of his mother State lapsed painfully when he arranged his committee assignments—Raleigh Post.

Had the tarheels gotten him to the Greenboro reunion in October some sentimental tar might have gotten on his neck.

The editorial association will hold its next meeting in St. Louis, that is, if transportation is non-political, and included leading statesmen, professors, two famous octogenarian scholars now blind, Al. C. Kottler and Nicholas, the ex-Premier M. Delany, and other notabilities, and students of all classes in the community. The association will be a patriotic speech branding the vulgarism as national traitors and urging the authorities to dismiss some of the officials implicated in the plot.

Mr. De Plandre, who has just obtained the degree of doctor of science from the Faculty of Sciences of Paris, with honorable mention, is the fourth Frenchman who has ever obtained this honor.

Emperor William has taken to smoking a pipe, not in the slang sense of the term, but in the most approved German style, and Germany is glad. He had a mere schaum maker for him after his own design, and is going to color it or have another operation on his throat.

Daniel's Pilgrimage.

Senator Daniel has departed from the Hub of the universe, where there will be a renewal of the entire cordial between the States and the Nation, as typified by the personal relations between himself and the senior Massachusetts senator, Mr. Hoar.

Mr. Hoar pays an eloquent tribute to the eloquent Virginian, which, of course, all up-to-date Big State people have already read.

The journey of Senator Daniel New Englandward is for the purpose of delivering an address before the evening session of the Merchants Association. Senator Hoar is unable to accompany the Virginian thither, but the trip is being advertised and notice given that the hatching of that particular section of Yankeehood will be coming out for the visitor—Washington Post.

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(Signed) MRS. G. J. ENGELKING, 603 E. Main St., Richmond, Va.

I want every tired woman after a day's hard work or an afternoon's shopping, to take a tablespoonful of Paw-Paw and see how quickly it will refresh and invigorate her.

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FIERY ORDEAL.

Mad Rush of Audience, Some Blazing When Lamp Burst.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 10.—At an entertainment given here last night by a glass blowing traveling company in the old rooms of the Record, a "paw-paw" lamp exploded, setting the building on fire. The audience, consisting of thirty or forty people present, and set fire to several, a few of them being quite badly burned.

When the mad rush for the door and windows was over, it was found that the Joneses of the Revolution finishing mill, who had, with her hair on fire, and her clothes, crashed headlong through a plate glass window, was badly burned, and cut with glass. As soon as she reached the street, she was surrounded by a crowd, and threw her arms around her, smothered the flames, and saved her life. Windows in the front and rear of the building were smashed all to pieces by the escaping crowd, and one side of the double front door was torn from its hinges.

With several people blazing with fire from the sprinkled ignited vapor, and everybody madly rushing for escape, it is a wonder that there was no fatal or very serious casualty. Even Miss Jones is reported as saying this morning, "I suffered more from nervous shock than from her cuts or burns."

The ticket seller of the show, who was counting his money near the front window when the explosion occurred, was not only badly bruised by the onrushing crowd, but his money was scattered everywhere about the floor, on the pavement and some of it was found this morning on the street. While a great many of the sight seers were standing slightly off, the following were the more seriously hurt:

R. C. Prince, merchant, head and hand burned; hand cut by glass.

J. C. Fowler, hand cut.

John Robinson, leg burned; hand cut.

Miss Cora Jones, head and hair burned off; scalp blistered; hands burned and glass cut.

James Benton, hand cut; face burned and blistered.

OXFORD ENTERPRISES.

The Approaches to the Town Are All Being Improved.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) OXFORD, N. C., Dec. 10.—The new cotton gin organization in Oxford, under the management of W. A. Erwin, of Durham, is doing well, and is now one of Oxford's greatest enterprises.

The White cannery is another new enterprise here, which is doing a large and profitable business. This firm can fruit and tomatoes. Most of the tomatoes are raised on the farms of the company near town, and thereby the company is enabled to operate with greater profit than if they bought all their supplies.

The tobacco market here is one of the best in the State, being larger than even the Durham market, and any other section of this section of the State. There are five mammoth sales warehouses here, and a large number of prizees and other tobacco buildings. Perhaps the leading leaf tobaccoists in the State, with the exception of those at Wilson, reside here. The market has rapidly advanced in price for several weeks past.

The good roads movement is being rapidly developed here. Before long the principal roads leading out from the city will be made good turnpike roads.

Granville county now has a good "convict system" for road working, and also a twenty thousand dollar bond issue, which will be spent on the roads, and these, together with the provision that each hand in the county of road age, shall work four days per year or in lieu thereof pay \$3 each year in his discretion, will give this section good roads, and thereby greatly advance the value of property in the county, and build up the town of Oxford.

MR. FOSTER RESIGNS.

He Was Fined for Contempt by Judge of the Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Dec. 10.—Mr. Charles D. Foster, of this city, has tendered to Judge E. E. Waller, of Spotsylvania County Court, his resignation as prosecuting attorney in the trial of former clerk J. P. H. Crismond, which will come up in that county on December 17th.

Mr. Foster was fined by Judge Waller \$25 for contempt on the ground that he was connected with a petition asking Judge Waller to secure some other judge to try the Crismond cases. He promptly paid the fine.

Judges Swing Corners.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILLIAMSBURG, VA., Dec. 10.—Judge William L. Clifton, of Manchester, is holding a special term of the Circuit Court here and has been engaged in trying the case of Hundley against Jones.

Judge Smith is in New Kent, holding court for Judge Christian, who is sick.

GOOD SHOW FOR PARK BILL

Congressman Gudger Regards the Prospect for the Appalachian Reserve a Good One.

KING KELLEY SIGNS SOUTH

Wanted to Flog Man for Associating With Negro Woman. She Was a Prisoner.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 10.—Congressman Gudger, of the Tenth North Carolina District, arrived from Washington to-day on business connected with the Supreme Court. He says he regards the prospect as very good for the passage of the Appalachian Park bill during this session and that the matter will be pressed with special vigor immediately after the holidays.

The Corporation Commission issues an order directing the Carolina and North-western Railroad Company to apply the standard freight rates to its road, which runs from Chester to Lenoir. The order is effective at once.

KING KELLY SIGNED. George Kelly, familiarly known in base-ball circles, as "King" Kelly, has signed as manager of the Jacksonville, Fla., team for the coming season. He was manager for the Raleigh team for two seasons—1900 and 1901 and for Greensboro last year.

Cards are issued for the marriage of Alice Kate Skinner, daughter of Mr. B. S. Skinner, of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, to Mr. J. W. Hunter, the ceremony to be Wednesday, the 30th, in the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Johnson Petegrew Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, have secured Captain S. A. Ashe, of this city, to deliver an address on General Lee on the occasion of the celebration of Lee's birthday.

MANY CHARTERS. The name of the Stanley Light and Power Company, of Salisbury, is authorized by the Secretary of State to be changed to the Salisbury and Spencer Railway Company. The object of the change is to construct and operate a street railway in Salisbury to be extended later to the town of Spencer.

The Carolina Coupling Company, of Asheville, is chartered with \$50,000 capital to manufacture thill couplers and other kinds of couplers, etc.

The Dimension Lumber Company, of High Point, is chartered with \$3,500 capital. D. T. Knight is the agent in charge.

A charter is granted to the Underwood Pharmacy, of Southern Pines, the capital being \$5,000. J. T. Underwood is the principal incorporator.

Another charter granted to-day was to the Stanley Mining and Realty Company, of Albemarle, Stanley county. This company has a capital of \$20,000, and J. M. Morrow is the principal incorporator.

RACE PREJUDICE. A typical case of "race prejudice" run to seed occurred here this morning. A number of gentlemen, a prominent Western North Carolina lawyer being among the number, were very indignant and sought to flog a white man, as they thought, traveling with a negro woman, as the white men presumed as his wife. At least the man was noticed occupying a seat with a negro woman in a car of a westward train. When the excitement was at fever heat, it was ascertained that the man was a deputy sheriff, bound for Durham from Raleigh with an important witness in a murder trial, she being held as a prisoner to make sure of her being on hand to testify.

SCHOONER CAPSIZED. Captain, Crew and Two Passengers Drowned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 10.—The coasting schooner Clarence H., trading between Shalotte, N. C., and Wilmington, capsized off this coast in a gale of wind last night, and the five persons on board were drowned. Not one was left to tell the tale of their fearful experience, those drowned were Captain L. H. Hewitt, the master; Morrison Calson, and Jim Richardson, sailors, and Captains William Lewis and James Lewis, passengers, all from Shalotte.

The wreck is lying on the beach with bottom up. A small sailing vessel which was in port to-day passed near the wreck early this morning, and the captain brought the news of the disaster. The Clarence H. came out of Shalotte yesterday and ran into a storm. The wind blew a gale last night and the vessel capsized.

Ships arriving to-day report a terrible experience at sea. The body of Captain William Lewis washed up on the beach near the wreck this afternoon. A careful watch is being kept for the four missing bodies.

The members of the crew were young men. The Lewises were prominent in their county, and leave large families.

\$5,000 FOR A FINGER.

City Council Turns Down Carnegie's Proposition.

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Dec. 10.—Judge McNeill to-day issued an order removing the case of W. S. Needham, against the Norfolk and Western Railway, to the Federal Court. The plaintiff is a lawyer, and his home is at Pilot Mountain. During a trip to West Virginia some time ago, he was struck by an engine on the line of the Norfolk and Western and knocked off the track. His injuries consisted of a broken finger. He instituted a suit in Forsyth Court for \$5,000.

The joint committees appointed some time ago by the Winston and Salem authorities to act upon Andrew Carnegie's proposition to give \$25,000 for a public library, declined to accept same.

The Winston aldermen will now be asked to accept \$15,000 and to make an appropriation of \$50,000, maintain the library, the building to be erected on West graded school lot.

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Remember the Loved Ones.

This is a season when every one, rich and poor alike, is confronted with the question, what shall I give to so and so